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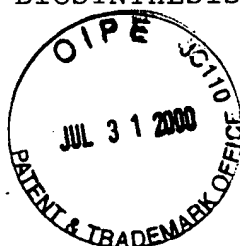
In re Application of:
CORTES et al
Serial No.: 463,705
Filed: February 23, 2000
For: BIOSYNTHESIS...AND THEIR USE

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July 31, 2000

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the above-identified application, Applicant(s) respectfully request that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action be extended for one month until July 31, 2000.

A check for the appropriate fee is enclosed herewith. Should any further extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,
Bierman, Muserlian and Lucas

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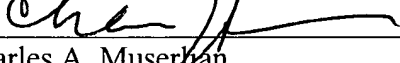
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No fee is believed due.

Respectfully submitted,

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